



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 656

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 409

Senate, April 28, 2010

The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through SEN. STILLMAN of the 20th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM USING CIVILIAN VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF STATE AND MUNICIPAL LAWS CONCERNING PARKING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES THAT LIMIT OR IMPAIR THE ABILITY TO WALK AND PERSONS WITH BLINDNESS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective January 1, 2011*) (a) The Commissioner of Motor
2 Vehicles, in conjunction with the police departments of three
3 municipalities, shall conduct a pilot program for improved
4 enforcement of the provisions of state statutes and municipal
5 ordinance codes concerning handicapped parking, with the assistance
6 of civilian volunteers.

7 (b) Any municipality that wishes to participate in the pilot program
8 shall apply to the commissioner. The commissioner shall select three
9 municipalities from among such applicants, one of which shall have a
10 population of less than twenty thousand, one of which shall have a
11 population of twenty thousand or more, but not exceeding fifty

12 thousand, and one of which shall have a population exceeding fifty
13 thousand. The police department of each municipality shall invite
14 residents of such municipality to participate in such program as
15 civilian volunteers. Volunteers shall be selected by the chief of police
16 with the approval of the legislative body.

17 (c) On or before January 1, 2012, the Department of Motor Vehicles
18 shall submit a report on such pilot program to the joint standing
19 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
20 relating to motor vehicles, in accordance with the provisions of section
21 11-4a of the general statutes. The report shall describe the program
22 conducted by each municipality and the results of each such program,
23 including the number of volunteers who participated and the number
24 of violations of the provisions of (1) section 14-253a of the general
25 statutes, and (2) municipal ordinance codes, for which a summons was
26 issued.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2011	New section

PS *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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OFA Fiscal Note***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None***Explanation***

Requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to conduct a pilot program and study on the enforcement of handicapped parking by civilian volunteers would not result in additional cost to the agency.

The Out Years***State Impact:*** None***Municipal Impact:*** None

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 30 Nay 6 (03/16/2010)

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 13 Nay 4 (04/14/2010)

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 19 Nay 4 (04/20/2010)